

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

: William L. Hunter et al.

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For

COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING OR

PREVENTING DISEASES OF BODY PASSAGEWAYS

Art Unit

1617

Examiner

Edward J. Webman

Docket No.

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Date

March 14, 2005

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 13, 2005, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on March 14, 2005 (March 13, 2005 is a Sunday). Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Applicants hereby elect (1) femoral artery (recited in claim 20) as the ultimate blood vessel, (2) immunosuppressive agent (recited in claim 38) as the ultimate therapeutic agent, (3) polyester (recited in claim 52) as the ultimate polymer, (4) film (recited in claim 57) as the ultimate form, and (5) vascular disease that is a reaction to an operative arterial procedure (recited in claim 64) as the ultimate vascular disease, for examination at this time.

Consideration of the present application in view of the above species election is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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